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1. AS THE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER INTERESTED WASHINGTON AGENCIES ARE AWARE FROM EARLIER EMBASSY REPORTS, PARTICULARLY REFTEL B, OUR PROPOSED REGULATORY CHANGES ON WINE BOTTLE FILL STANDARDS ARE CAUSING THE GERMANS SERIOUS CONCERN, AS EVIDENCED BY FRAU STEEG'S BROACHING OF THE SUBJECT WITH US AND WITH AMBASSADOR MALMGREN IN GENEVA. (SEE PARAGRAPH 3 OF REFTEL B). WE AGAIN WISH TO CALL WASHINGTON'S ATTENTION TO THE SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH THE GERMANS VIEW OUR PROPOSED CHANGES IN STANDARDS OF BOTTLE FILL AS A POTENTIAL THREAT TO THEIR WINE EXPORTS TO THE US MARKET.

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2. WE URGE, THEREFORE, THAT ALL DEPARTMENTS CONCERNED CONSIDER THIS MATTER CAREFULLY IN THE LIGHT OF OUR

NEED FOR FRG SUPPORT FOR LIBERAL ATTITUDE
ON TRADE POLICY QUESTIONS OF INTEREST TO THE UNITED
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